



## Lesson: Find that Park



Introduction to the Lesson/Activity	In the National Park System, there are many different types of parks. The National parks protect and preserve	many of the places and things that are special to the American people.  Lesson for grades 6-8.
Objectives	Students will: <div><div>1.</div><div>learn that Chickasaw NRA is part of a National Park System.</div></div> <div><div>2.</div><div>develop geography skills.</div></div>	<div><div>3.</div><div>identify various parts of the buffalo and understand how the Native American people used these individual parts.</div></div>
Materials	National Park Service large laminated map Pencils	Find that Park worksheet

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## Activity

**Warm Up:** Break class up into equal sized teams. Give each team a sheet of paper and tell them they have two minutes to list as many National Parks as they can think of. Tell them the team with the most national parks on their list will win a prize. When the two minutes are up, have each group call out the parks they came up with. Anyone with the same park on their list must cross it off—no one gets a point. Tally the winners and then give them a small prize (patch, pencil, etc.)

3. Give each group a large map and a Name That Park worksheet.
4. While each group works walk around and encourage them.
5. Give the group 30 - 45 minutes (depending on the level of the students).
6. When they are finished go over the answer. Take one of the maps and use a wipe off marker to mark where the various areas are on the map.
7. Ask how the group did. What is the most surprising thing they learned?

## Lesson:

1. Tell the students they did a great job brainstorming National Parks.
2. Tell them they are now going to test their geography skills by doing a scavenger hunt.

**Assessment:** Bonus Lightening Round. Give them three bonus questions. First group to answer each question correctly wins a prize for that question.

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## Key Vocabulary

- compass rose
- National Park Service

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## Essential Questions

1. What are the names of other parks in the National Park Service?
2. What geographic language is used to talk about the exact and relative location of places?
3. How is Chickasaw NRA both similar and different from other National Parks in the National Park Service?

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## Oklahoma Pass Standards

**Grade 6 - World Studies:** Standard 1 &  
Standard 2

**Grade 7 - Social Studies** Standard 1

**Grade 8 – Social Studies:** Standard 1, Standard 1,  
& Standard 2